Suggested Summer Reading List

Author		***Title***	***Genre***
Adler	David	Young Cam Jansen series	Fiction
Anderson	Hans C.	stories by this author	Folklore
Barkley	Callie	Critter Club series	Fiction
Barrows	Annie	Ivy and Bean series	Fiction
Blade	Adam	Beast Quest series	Fantasy/Fiction
Brown	Marcia	Stone Soup	Folklore
Bruel	Nick	Bad Kitty chapter books	Fiction
Coven	Wanda	Heidi Heckelbeck Goes to Camp (and others)	Fiction
Chabert	Jack	Eerie Elementary series	Ghost
Cummings	Troy	The Notebook of Doom series	Fiction
DiCamillo	Kate	Mercy Watson series	Fiction
Elliott	Rebecca	Owl Diaries series	Fiction
Galdone	Paul	The Monkey and the Crocodile	Folklore
Gerstein	Mordicai	The Man Who Walked Between the Towers	Biography
Gibbons	Gail	The Moon (and others)	Nonfiction
Goldberg	Whoopi	Sugar Plum Ballerinas series	Fiction
Greenburg	J.C.	Andrew Lost series	Fantasy
Gutman	Dan	My Weird School series	Fiction
Hale	Shannon	Princess in Black	Fantasy
Holm	Jennifer	Babymouse series	Graphic Novel
Kirby	Stan	Captain Awesome series	Fiction
Krosoczka	Jarrett	Lunch Lady series	Graphic Novel
Marko	Cindy	Kung Pow Chicken series	Fiction
May	Kyla	Kiki: My Stylish Life (and others)	Fiction
Miles	Ellen	Puppy Place series	Fiction
Murphy	Stuart	Lemonade For Sale (and other MathStart books)	Picture Book
O'Connor	Jane	Nancy Clancy series	Fiction
Park	Barbara	Junie B. Jones series	Fiction
Patterson	Francine	Koko's Kitten	Nonfiction
Pennypacker	Sara	Clementine series	Fiction
Prelutsky	Jack	My Parents Think I'm Sleeping	Poetry
Tang	Greg	The Grapes of Math	Nonfiction
Thaler	Mike	Black Lagoon Adventures series	Fiction
Trine	Greg	Melvin Beederman, Superhero series	Fiction
Various	authors	Boxcar Children	Graphic novel
Zelinsky	Paul	Rumpelstiltskin (and others)	Folklore

MALDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
2016 SUMMER READING LIST
For Students Entering Grade 3

June 2016

Dear Parents/Guardians:

The Malden Public Schools' 2016 summer reading list is your ticket to adventurous travels through books. We hope you and your family will read about other countries, cultures, and people all over the world.

Students are required to read regularly throughout the summer, with a weekly goal of 2 hours. ***We strongly recommend reading at least 20-30 minutes every day.*** Books can be read by students on their own or with a partner during the summer. Partners for reading out loud can be parents, guardians, brothers, sisters or other interested caregivers.

Students must log their minutes read every night using the enclosed calendar and complete a Reading Response for any one book. They can read from the suggested list or books of their own choosing. Help your child complete the Reading Response by discussing books they have read or books that have been read to them.

We encourage you to visit the Malden Public Library regularly with your child. The library has copies of the summer reading books, offers fun children's activities for free, and runs a 6-week Summer Reading Program (beginning June 27) that provides special incentives to children who read two or more hours each week.

Extra forms will be available at the Malden Public Library and on the Malden Public Schools' website: http://maldenps.org/academics/summer-reading/. Students must return completed forms to their school in September.

Sincerely,

Dr. David DeRuosi, Jr.
Superintendent of Schools

Family Summer Reading Tips

- **IMPORTANT:** Children can lose as much as a half a grade level in their reading level during the summer. Between kindergarten and grade 5, not reading over the summer can result in the loss of as much as 3 grade levels of reading growth. The only way to combat summer reading loss is by reading a lot over the summer. Make a plan to read to or with your child everyday for 20-30 minutes.
- Reading aloud to your child counts as reading. So, if your child isn't reading yet or is reluctant to read on their own, read to them.
- Talk about what you are reading. Give your opinion about the events in the book and ask what your child thinks.
- The best way to learn new words is by reading. Look for words your child may not know as you read. Talk about what they mean. Try to use some of the words later with your child.
- Take books with you wherever you go. Keep books in the car for day trips. Going on errands, take along a set of books to talk about and read as you go. Read at the beach or the park.

All students entering grades kindergarten through fourth grade must read at least 20-30 minutes every day. All students must turn in a reading calendar and one Reading Response when school begins in August.

Need the forms? Visit the Malden Public Schools website, http://maldenps.org/academics/summer-reading/

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